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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Finance Section/DPD

SUBJECT : Travel Order 0583-60 - [REDACTED]

REFERENCE : DPD-8331-59

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1. In accordance with orders published by [REDACTED] former organization at Hamilton Air Force Base, this Organization had no official control over movement of household effects and dependents. Orders from Hamilton Air Force Base assigned [REDACTED] PCS to the 1149th at Fort Myer, Virginia. At that time, [REDACTED] had not been briefed on the project, and could only be advised by telephone that his household effects should remain in California, since he would be returning to that area in a very short time.

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2. It is agreed that it would have been more economical had the traveler moved his furnishings from Hamilton Air Force Base to a local storage company. However, his PCS orders gave him absolute authority to move his effects to Washington, D. C. A telephone call from this Organization does not officially change a United States Air Force order, and the man is in no official way obligated to follow such telephone instructions. [REDACTED] was called on three different occasions by DPD, and was advised that he should leave his household effects in the California area since he would be returning through that area for an overseas assignment.

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3. Since [REDACTED] moved his effects to Washington, D. C. on official, legitimate Air Force orders, it becomes necessary for this Organization to move his effects from Washington, D. C. to his next assignment. It is realized that most personnel in the past

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have managed to leave their household effects in their local area during their initial processing and briefings in Washington. An occasional Airmen will refuse to follow telephone instructions with an official order in hand. This is the case of [redacted] and the result is the cost of not having control of the individual from the time of his original assignment from his parent organization.

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